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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Bruce B. Randolph, Marvin M. Johnson, and Glenn W. Dodwell

For: ISOPARAFFIN-OLEFIN ALKYLATION



LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Attached hereto for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office is the patent application identified above. This application includes an executed assignment and 0 sheet(s) of drawings.

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If the Examiner wishes to contact representatives of record concerning the accompanying application prior to the first Official Action, such contact should be made with the undersigned.

The following references are called to the Examiner's attention.

U. S. Patent 6,177,058 discloses compositions that are intimate mixtures of hydrogen fluoride and a polymer.

U. S. Patent 5,877,383 discloses contacting a hydrocarbon feedstock and an olefinic alkylating agent with a catalyst composition containing an acid selected from the group of fluorinated alkane sulfonic acids and recovering a product stream of alkylated hydrocarbons.

U. S. Patent 5,849,965 discloses alkylating a relatively unreactive paraffinic substrate in a primary stage and alkylating a more reactive aromatic substrate in the secondary stage.

U. S. Patent 5,663,474 discloses an alkylation process using a hydrogen fluoride-containing alkylation catalyst.

U. S. Patent 5,659,105 discloses a process for the alkylation of aliphatic hydrocarbons with olefins catalyzed by a silica-based material characterized in that the surface Si-OH groups of said silica are esterified with a fluoroalkylsulfonic acid.

The following European reference is also called to the Examiner's attention.

European Patent EP 0 889 848 B1 discloses liquid and solid anhydrous hydrogen fluoride compositions which are less hazardous than hydrogen fluoride wherein the compositions consist essentially of intimate mixtures of anhydrous hydrogen fluoride and a water-soluble polymer.

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